

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Applicant submits this amendment in response to the Office Action mailed April 13, 2006. A petition for a three-month extension of the term for response to said Office Action, to and including October 13, 2006, is transmitted herewith.

Claims 33-34 are still pending in this application. Claims 1-6, 8, 13-19 and 26-29 have now been cancelled without prejudice.

Claims 33-34 were objected to as being dependent on a rejected base claim, but were indicated as being allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitation of the base claim and any intervening claims. In response, applicant has amended claims 33-34. These claims have been rewritten in independent form including all of the limitation of the base claim and any intervening claims. As such, applicant submits that these claims are now allowable.

In view of the foregoing, applicant respectfully requests favorable reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejections of the claims. Also, applicant respectfully requests that this application be passed to allowance.

Respectfully submitted,

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